#### Remarks

### **Status of Claims**

Claims 3, 8 and 10–12 have been objected to for wording informalities.

Claims 7, 9, 10, 12, 15 and 17 have been rejected under 35 USC 112 for indefiniteness for not setting forth any steps included in the method/process

Claims 1-6, 8, 11 and 13-14 have been rejected under 35 USC 112 for indefiniteness.

Claims 1, 3, 6-7 and 11-12 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Kulkarni in view of Thanh.

Claims 8 and 10 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Kulkarni in view of Ikzkovitz.

## Claim 18

New claim 18 has been added being a combination of previous claims 1 and 2 amended to address the indefiniteness rejection.

It is not noted that no rejection of claim 2 was made under 35 USC 103.

### Claim 19

New claim 19 has been added being a combination of previous claims 8 and 9 amended to address the indefiniteness rejection.

It is noted that no rejection of claim 9 was made under 35 USC 103.

### Claims 1 and 2

Claim 1 and 2 have been canceled.

## Claims 3 to 5

Claims 3 and 5 have been made independent as new claim 18. Claim 3 has been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion to address a wording objection.

Claims 3 to 5 are believed allowable not least on the basis that they each depend on an allowable independent claim 18.

#### Claim 6

Claim 6 is canceled.

# Claim 7

Claim 7 has been amended by combination with claim 2 and to address the rejection for indefiniteness.

It is noted that no rejection of claim 2 was made under 35 USC 103.

# Claims 8 and 9

Claims 8 and 9 are canceled.

## Claim 10

Claim 10 has been amended by combination with claim 9, to address the rejection for indefiniteness, and to enhance clarity.

It is noted that no rejection of claim 9 was made under 35 USC 103.

# **Claims 11 to 13**

Claims 11 to 13 are canceled.

## **Claims 14 to 17**

The dependencies of claims 14 and 16 have been updated.

Dependent claims 14 to 17 are each patentable not least on the basis that they each depend on an allowable independent claim.

# **Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, allowance of all the claims presently in the application is respectfully requested, as is passage to issuance of the application. If the Examiner should feel that the application is not yet in a condition for allowance and that a telephone interview would be useful, he is invited to contact Applicant's attorney, **Jimmy Goo**, at **908-582-7886**.

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